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- SPECIALIZED AGENCY - CONTROVERSY ABOUT CONTENTS
- OF FINAL REPORT

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1. FULL GROUP B MET APRIL 6 TO HEAR REPORT FROM THOSE WHO
HAD ATTENDED PREVIOUS DAY'S MEETING WITH MEHTA AND FROM
NETHERLANDS PERMREP (AMBASSADOR DE BOER) WHO HAD MADE AN
INDEPENDENT APPROACH TO MEHTA WITH SIMILAR RESULTS. THERE
WAS CONSENSUS THAT ISSUE WAS IMPORTANT NOT ONLY IN CON-
TEXT OF UNIDO CONSTITUTION, BUT BECAUSE OF POTENTIAL IN-
HIBITING EFFECT ON INFORMAL, EXPLORATORY, BRIDGEBUILDING
EFFORTS IN OTHER NEGOTIATIONS AND THAT NEW YORK MISSIONS
SHOULD FOLLOW UP ON SUGGESTION TO TALK WITH JAMAICAN
AMBASSADOR MILLS, AND, AS APPROPRIATE, WITH OTHER G-77
MEMBERS. SEVERAL SPOKE IN FAVOR OF "INDEPENDENT APPROACHE
ALONG COMMON LINES" RATHER THAN A JOINT DEMARCHE. MEHTA'S
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FALLBACK PROPOSAL -- I.E., TO ATTACH AN ADDITIONAL STATE-
MENT TO CONFERENCE REPORT IF G-77 DID NOT AGREE TO DELE-
TION OF GROUP B PROPOSALS -- DREW MIXED REACTIONS, WITH
SEVERAL (UK, DENMARK, SWITZERLAND) SUGGESTING THIS MIGHT
BE "OVERKILL".

2. COMMENT: REF B REPORTS USUN IS ALREADY PROCEEDING ON

LINE CONSISTENT WITH CONSENSUS HERE.

3. RE FALLBACK: IN THIS MISSION'S VIEW, LABELING OR FOOT-NOTING GROUP B PROPOSALS IN HALL'S STATEMENT (SEE USUN 1204, PARA 2) WOULD MORE EFFECTIVELY HIGHLIGHT GROUP B POSITION THAN WOULD A NEW GROUP B STATEMENT ATTACHED TO THE END OF THE CONFERENCE REPORT. IT MIGHT ALSO BE MORE ACCEPTABLE TO THOSE WHO FEAR OVERKILL. WE WILL STAND READY TO PROMOTE THIS IDEA FURTHER WHEN AND IF IT SEEMS NECESSARY.

4. APPRECIATE USUN'S KEEPING US INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS IN NEW YORK. LEARY

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